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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 375

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***"AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO THE UTILITY
STATUTES."***

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (b) of section 16-331a of the general statutes is
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
5 *1, 2004*):

6 (b) Each company or organization selected pursuant to subsection
7 (c) of this section, as applicable, in consultation with the franchise's
8 advisory council, shall (1) provide facilities, equipment, and technical
9 and managerial support to enable the production of meaningful
10 community access programming within its franchise area, and (2) offer
11 a community access channel that provides for the full-time,

12 noncommercial carriage of state government proceedings and related
13 public policy events. Each company shall include all its community
14 access channels in its basic service package. Full-time carriage of the
15 Connecticut Television Network by a company in its basic service
16 package shall satisfy the requirement of subdivision (2) of this
17 subsection. Each company or organization shall annually review its
18 rules, regulations, policies and procedures governing the provision of
19 community access programming. Such review shall include a period
20 for public comment, a public meeting and consultation with the
21 franchise's advisory council."